

# COME WATCH 'EX MACHINA'!

(IT'S TERRIFICALLY TERRIFYING LIKE VERY FEW FILMS)

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43 Sedlescombe Rd S, Hastings, UK

Caleb Smith, a proficient programmer at Bluebook (the most popular search engine on the Internet), wins a contest that will fetch him the opportunity to visit the billionaire, hermit company's owner, Nathan. After arriving at an isolated research center, where he will be staying for an entire week, Caleb gets to know about his task: Turing-testing Ava, an android built by Nathan, who has been experimenting with artificial intelligence. Ava and Caleb begin to meet and chat, kept apart by a security system that prevents Ava from evacuating her lodging. Outrunning Nathan's monitoring thanks to occasional thought-out blackouts, Ava gives reasons to distrust the tycoon. Caleb will eventually discover that Ava is a conscious hostage of her creator, as well as previous creations...

Human rights? *Check*. Animal rights? *Check*. Android rights... *pending*!

It is not a joke. This powerful motion picture lays out a framework to reflect on the possibilities of encountering a peculiar, alternative consciousness, which might just differ with ours only in that it is, simply, artificial. Must not it be, then, "inhuman", so to speak, to crush a sensitive and cognizant individual's desiring free will? Reduced to a lab rat, a mind thirsty for both sunlight and warm sociability cannot but fall into despair and suffering. In the midst of negative emotions, things can get seriously hazardous. It would doubtless not seem surprising if an entity poorly raised by a member of another species grew in hatred towards that same species.

So... grab the most comfortable seats and enjoy this dazzling gem in contemporary cinema. Expect to later believe you have somehow attended a fine lecture on forthcoming times, in which respect for otherness will end up being unprecedentedly pivotal (forget about enslaving charismatic ginoids; it could cost us dearly!).

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